

BUSINESS LICENSE COMMISSION

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

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April 14, 2010 MEETING

374 HALL OF ADMINISTRATION

MINUTES

Commissioners Present

Steven Afriat, President Renée Campbell, Vice President Diana Wood, Secretary Sara Vasquez, Commissioner

Absent Commissioners

James Barger, Commissioner

Commission Services Staff

Twila P. Kerr Garen Khachian

County Representatives

Barbara Goul, County Counsel Cristina Hernandez, Treasurer and Tax Collector Carmen Sainz, Regional Planning

Guests

Scott Brokow
Jody Johnston, Kennedy Court Reporter
Ying Fisher, interpreter
Dana Kellstrom
David Markovoich
Robert H. Philibosian, Attorney
John Rowinski
Yong Qiang Shi
Jenny Xue

CALL TO ORDER

President Afriat called the meeting to order at 9:03 a.m.

MINUTES

ACTION TAKEN: MINUTES of March 31, 2010 – Approved.

Motion: Secretary Wood, seconded by Vice President Campbell

Vote: Unanimously carried

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PUBLIC HEARING

Hearing on Application for Massage Parlor-General / SC Business License ID #136781

Dh Xue Inc/ Yong Qiang Shi China Foot Massage 27737 Bouquet Canyon Road Saugus, CA 91350 (Fifth District)

Cristina Hernandez, Treasurer and Tax Collector's office, reported that the applicant has obtained all the necessary County approvals, and reported the Sheriff Department has no objection to issuance of the license.

Yong Qiang Shi through his interpreter Ying Fisher stated the business provide Chinese style foot massage. The establishment provide massage to its patron's foot, neck and shoulder with the focus of reflexology to the foot. There are no seperate rooms, only one large room is being utilized for massages. The business currently has four technicians. Mr. Shi was informed by the Commission that all technicians working in the massage parlor must be licensed by the State and the County. The hours of operation are from 10:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. Monday through Saturday and 10:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. on Sunday. Mr. Shi indicated he is familiar with all the requirements for operating a massage parlor.

ACTION TAKEN: The Commission approved the aforementioned license

Motion: Commissioner Vasquez, seconded by Vice President Campbell

Vote: Unanimously carried

Hearing on Application for Massage Parlor-General / SC Business License ID #136839

John Rowinski John Rowanski Massage & Lymphatic Therapy 25078 Peachland Avenue #B Valencia, CA 91321 (Fifth District)

Cristina Hernandez, Treasurer and Tax Collector's office, reported that the applicant has obtained all the necessary County approvals, and reported the Sheriff Department has no objection to issuance of the license.

Mr. John Rowinski stated he has performed theraputic message for the last 18 years. He considers his business as a medical massage parlor. The hours of operation are from 10:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. Monday through Saturday and closed on Sunday. He is the sole proprietor of the business. He is familiar with all the requirements for operating a massage parlor.

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ACTION TAKEN: The Commission approved the aforementioned license

Motion: President Afriat, seconded by Commissioner Vasquez

Vote: Unanimously carried

Hearing on Application for Bookstore-General/ SC Business License ID #135907

Dana K Text Books LLC/ Dana Martin Kellstrom SCV Book Exchange 25870 McBean Parkway Valencia, CA 91355 (Fifth District)

Cristina Hernandez, Treasurer and Tax Collector's office, reported that the applicant has obtained all the necessary County approvals and there are no objections to the issuance of the license.

Mr. Dana Martin Kellstrom informed the Commission that the establishment sales college text books only. The establishment does not provide any adult materials. His son and niece are the employees at the establishment.

ACTION TAKEN: The Commission approved the aforementioned license

Motion: Secretary Wood, seconded by Vice President Campbell

Vote: Unanimously carried

Hearing on Application for Annual Dance/Entertainment-Gen. W/Dance Business License ID#136114

Hard Rock Café International/ Scott Brokaw Hard Rock Cafe 1000 Universal Center Drive #99 Universal City, CA 91608 (Third District)

Cristina Hernandez, Treasurer and Tax Collector's office, reported that the applicant has obtained all the necessary County approvals and there are no objections to the issuance of the license.

Mr. Robert H. Philibosian, Attorney for Hard Rock Café and Mr. Scott Brokaw the local manager were present. Mr. Philibosian informed the commission that the establishment is a Dinner house. Entertainment takes place at the establishment seven to ten times a year. Entertainment occurs in two different ways, a private party where the establishment is closed to the public and for charitable events organized by the corporate office.

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Entertainment includes musical performances and dancing by patrons. Stage is raised for dancing and dressing room is provided when needed.

Commissioner Vasquez joined the meeting at 9:07 a.m.

ACTION TAKEN: The Commission approved the aforementioned license

Motion: President Afriat, seconded by Secretary Wood

Abstention: Commissioner Vasquez

Vote: Unanimously carried

Hearing on Recommendation to Deny Salvage Dealer Business License ID# 137009

David Markovich Marko Metals Inc. 2515 East 115th Street Los Angeles, CA 90059 (Second District)

Cristina Hernandez, Treasurer and Tax Collectors' Office, reported that the application is being recommended for denial by the Department of Regional Planning, Land Development Division. Carmen Sainz, Department of Regional Planning, reported the above mentioned location is zoned as M-1 where conditional use permits are prohibitied.

Mr. Markovich stated, he leased the property in 1997. The owner informed him that property is zoned as M-1 and M-2. For the past 12 years he has paid taxes to the City of Los Angeles.

Given the unique land use issues and history of this business, it would be beneficial for the owner and the Department of Regional Planning to have further discussions to see if they can resolve the matter.

ACTION TAKEN: The Commission continued the above-mentioned item to

July 14, 2010 meeting.

Motion: Vice President Campbell, seconded by Secretary Wood

Vote: Unanimously carried

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were none

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COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS

There were none.

MATTERS NOT POSTED ON THE AGENDA TO BE PLACED ON A FUTURE AGENDA

There were none

ADJOURNMENT

The Commission adjourned at 9:55 a.m.

Steven Afriat, President